

SMUPS News

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Hello from the Head!

It has been another busy week in school. At the start of the week, children in year five braved the poor weather to complete their level 2 bikeability. Both instructors, Ian and Kevin, were full of praise for how well the group tackled the challenges and conducted themselves. We are arranging dates for children in years 3 and 4 to undertake their level 1 bikeability in the new year and also to provide an extra level 2 session for any children in years 5 and 6 who have not already done their bikeability.

We have focused on Remembrance in the last week. Well done to Willow class for their excellent video which is on YouTube—a great effort.

Thank you for the excellent support for Children In Need last week. It was great to see the range of everyday heroes on display.

Because of the restrictions, Christmas events in school and in town will not be as normal, but we are working on plans for the children to be able to have a Christmas Party Day within their class bubble and Christmas lunch and Jumper Day. Details will follow shortly.

Collective Worship

On Wednesday 11th November, we held our Remembrance Day service virtually—the children were brilliant and extremely respectful and reflective. Each class made a wreath of hands with their own message on which are now in church.

Things to Remember

- We have put together a Virtual Open Day for new reception parents, ready for the middle of November. These resources will go out on our website, Facebook page and YouTube Channel this week, so please look out for these and let anyone you know with a child due to start school in September know.
- Children in years 4, 5 and 6 are having Basketball sessions on a Thursday morning. Please come to school in appropriate P.E. kit. The children can wear jogging bottoms and jumpers. If they have outgrown their P.E. kit, there is no expectation to buy a new one.
- Please ensure that you are reading each day at home with your child and supporting them with their home learning. Please use the videos on our school YouTube channel. Children in KS2 should also be using TT Rockstars and Accelerated Maths.
- The Flu Vaccination will take place on Thursday 19th November for those children who have been signed up.

A Member of the Household being asked to self isolate

In the event of a member of your household being asked to self isolate either through NHS Track and Trace or through a sibling's school or pre-school setting, the current NHS guidance states:

"The person who has had contact with someone who tests positive should self isolate for 14 days from the last day they were in contact with the person who tested positive."

"People you live with do not need to self-isolate if you do not have symptoms."

It is only if the person who has been in contact with the positive test case starts displaying symptoms, that the rest of the household needs to begin a period of self isolation.

Please visit for full details.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/nhs-test-and-trace-if-youve-been-in-contact-with-a-person-who-has-coronavirus/>



Certificates Well done to all those who received certificates

Acorns - Elsa and Arlo

Ash - Rosie

Pine - Daisy

Oak - Freya and Cody

Elm - Xavier

Apple - Scott

Willow - Toby and Sophia

Beech - Hattie and Reba

Holly - Jessica and Callum

